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Subject: KENNETH GORDON BURNSTINE, aka
Denneth Gordon Burnstine

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Summary of Complaint: On 1/9/76, subject attempted to board Flight 882, Hughes Airwest, at Orange County Airport, Santa Ana, California. When his carry-on luggage was placed in X-Ray scanner, it was discovered to contain a loaded automatic pistol. When confronted by authorities, subject explained it was an over-site and produced credentials that identified him as a registered gun dealer. He was then allowed to proceed to Phoenix with the gun, unloaded, and placed in hold luggage.

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☐ FD-376 (Enc. to LHM)
☐ LHM being submitted
☐ Report being submitted
☐ Preliminary investigation instituted
☐ Limited investigation instituted
☒ Investigation continuing

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Approved: *[Signature]*
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AT PHOENIX, ARIZONA. Forward FD-302s reflecting
interview of subject.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Los Angeles, California
January 15, 1976

KENNETH GORDON BURNSTINE
CARRYING WEAPON ABOARD AIRCRAFT

On January 12, 1976, Lieutenant [REDACTED] Airport Detail, Orange County Sheriff's Office, Orange County Airport, furnished a report of an incident occurring at about 1:00 PM, January 9, 1976.

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Kenneth Gordon Burnstine, 1011 Bayfront, Balboa Island, California, approached the boarding gate for Flight 882, Hughes Airwest, at Orange County Airport. This flight originates at Santa Ana, California, and proceeds to Phoenix, Arizona, arriving at 3:06 PM. Upon placing Burnstine's carry-on bag in the X-ray scanner, it was discovered to contain a handgun. When informed of the discovery of the weapon, the security officer presented the bag and Burnstine to the Hughes Airwest ticket agent, who summoned a Deputy Sheriff. At this time Burnstine explained this was an oversight and identified himself as a registered gun dealer and produced ATF credentials as such. Burnstine was taken to the Orange County Sheriff's Office Airport Station where the case was unlocked and a fully-loaded Walther PPK .32 caliber automatic pistol was recovered and unloaded by the deputy. At this time the deputy was not aware that Burnstine had attempted to carry the weapon aboard the aircraft and subject was allowed to board the aircraft and proceed to Phoenix with the unloaded weapon placed in the hold luggage.

Burnstine is described as follows:

Race	White
Birth Data	February 15, 1933 (1935?)
	Illinois
Height	5' 8"
Weight	185 pounds
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Gray
Complexion	Light

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KENNETH GORDON BURNSTINE
CARRYING WEAPON ABOARD AIRCRAFT

Social Security Number	336-24-4887
California Driver's	
License Number	N4595224
California Identifi-	
cation and Investigation	
Number	5082628
FBI Number	751 674 F
Occupation	International Finance and Economic Development Company, Fort Lauderdale, Florida

On January 14, 1976, Assistant U. S. Attorney
Deanne Smith, Los Angeles, advised she desired to study a
report prior to rendering a prosecutive opinion.

Federal Aviation Administration, was
notified of the above.

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AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA: Will follow prosecutive
action with Office of U. S. Attorney, Los Angeles.

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KENNETH GORDON BURNSTINE

Character:

CRIME ABOARD AIRCRAFT - CARRYING WEAPON
ABOARD AIRCRAFT

Synopsis:

On 1/9/76, subject attempted to board Hughes Air West Flight 882 at Orange County Airport, Santa Ana, California. When his carry-on luggage was placed in X-ray scanner it was discovered to contain a loaded automatic pistol. When confronted by authorities, subject explained it was an oversight and produced Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms Division credentials which identified him as a registered gun dealer. When the pistol was unloaded and placed in hold luggage, he was allowed to proceed on flight to Phoenix, Arizona. Criminal history from Drug Enforcement Administration, Los Angeles, California, set out. Subject arrested 12/2/74, for conspiracy to import cocaine and marijuana from Mexico into the United States. On 3/31/75, subject was convicted and sentenced to serve seven years in custody plus three years special probation on the above charge. Subject was released after posting \$100,000 appeal bond.

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DETAILS:

This investigation is predicated upon receipt of information from Lieutenant [REDACTED], Airport Detail,

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Orange County Sheriff's Office, Santa Ana, California, on January 12, 1976.

On January 12, 1976, Lieutenant [redacted] made available a sheriff's office report made by Officer [redacted] Airport Detail, which relates as follows:

At about 1300 hours, on January 1, 1976, the reporting officer was the boarding officer for Hughes Air West Flight 882, Gate 5, Orange County Airport. Security 76 Agent [redacted] walked passed the reporting officer at a fast gait and remarked "There's a gun in that bag". [redacted] at the same time, pointed toward Hughes Air West boarding desk where the subject was standing with the ticket agent. The reporting officer then went to the boarding desk where Hughes Air West Agent [redacted] was talking to the subject, later identified as passenger KENNETH G. BURNSTINE. The reporting officer overheard the two talking about checking a brown case onto Flight 882. BURNSTINE was told that the gun inside would have to be unloaded. The reporting officer then advised both that they should not display the weapon in this area, and BURNSTINE was escorted by the reporting officer to the sheriff's office where the case was unlocked and the weapon cleared. The weapon was identified as a German .32 caliber, blue steel, Walther PPK automatic. The magazine appeared full, and one round was removed from the chamber. BURNSTINE was in possession of a Federal gun permit, Number 596626. The reporting officer then escorted BURNSTINE back to the boarding area. It was the opinion at the time of the reporting officer that the weapon had been declared and was being checked on the flight. It was later determined that the weapon was not declared by BURNSTINE and had been found by the security officer by means of the X-ray scanner. In the opinion of the reporting officer, an attempt to board the aircraft with the weapon was made by BURNSTINE.

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[redacted] Security Agent, Orange County Airport, Santa Ana, California, advised that while on duty on January 9, 1976, as a screening guard at Gate #5 at the Orange County Airport, he observed a male individual place carry-on baggage on the x-ray baggage machine prior to boarding Hughes Air West Flight #882, en route from Orange County Airport to Phoenix, Arizona. He observed a gun in one of the briefcases that this individual had placed on the screening machine.

[redacted] stated that at this time he removed the case from the screening machine and put it on a table behind the machine and then advised the above male individual that there was a gun in the case and that he could not take the case on the plane.

[redacted] stated that the individual then made a comment to the effect that he knew he could not take it on the plane and that he had come early so that he could check the bag through. [redacted] stated, however, that this individual was not early. In fact, [redacted] said he was running a little behind inasmuch as all the other passengers had already checked in their baggage and were waiting in the on-board lobby area.

[redacted] stated he then left this individual standing in the outer lounge while he took the bag with the gun in it to the boarding agent, [redacted], and told him that there was a gun in the bag and that the individual wanted to check it through.

[redacted] stated he then went and advised Deputy [redacted] [redacted], Orange County Sheriff's Office, Airport Detail, who was standing near the screening machine where the individual described above had moments earlier tried to check his bags through, and told him that this individual had attempted to pass a case containing a gun through the screening machine. He advised Deputy [redacted] then took this individual to the

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Orange County Sheriff's Office Watch Commander's Office, which is located adjacent to Gate #5. [] stated that he then returned to his regular duties.

[] stated that the individual who attempted to board the plane with a gun gave no indication during this time of being upset and made no mention to him that this sort of thing had happened to him before.

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[redacted] Orange County Sheriff's Office, Intelligence Detail, Santa Ana, California, advised that he first became aware of the activities of an individual by the name of KENNETH G. BURNSTINE when he observed Deputy [redacted] Orange County Sheriff's Office, Airport Detail, escort this individual into the Airport Security Office. [redacted] stated he then joined Deputy [redacted] when he learned this individual had a gun in a briefcase and that this individual had attempted to pass this case containing the gun through the x-ray screening machine. [redacted] stated that in his presence, BURNSTINE opened the case and removed a Walter PPK .32 caliber pistol, removed a loaded clip, and ejected a live round from the chamber.

[redacted] stated that BURNSTINE stated that he was in the gun business and that he worked for three different outfits and that he dealt in the Continental United States exclusively with law enforcement. In addition, he made a comment to the effect that he should be getting used to this sort of thing because he was always transporting machine guns and silencers, etc., and that he even sometimes had to have the pilot transport them in the cockpit.

[redacted] stated when he asked him about silencers in police work, BURNSTINE stated that outside the United States the company he worked for dealt strictly in armament. [redacted] stated that BURNSTINE then produced a gun permit, stating that he was an authorized gun dealer. He stated that the number on this permit was 1-9901A-00, and also the number 59-6626 appeared on this permit.

[redacted] stated that this entire conversation and interrogation last for only three or four minutes due to the fact that the plane which BURNSTINE was attempting to board had already been boarded by the other passengers and was ready to take off.

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[] stated after more detailed facts were determined concerning this matter, the Phoenix Police Department, Phoenix, Arizona, was notified concerning BURNSTINE's traveling to Phoenix with a gun.

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[] Deputy Sheriff, Airport Detail, Orange County Sheriff's Office, Santa Ana, California, advised that on January 9, 1976, he was the boarding officer assigned to Gate 5 for the boarding of Hughes Air West Flight 882 to Phoenix, Arizona. He stated that he was stationed near the ramp and beyond the security scanning device. He stated that he noticed the security officer, [], walk passed him with a person later identified as KENNETH G. BURNSTINE and approach the ticket agent for Hughes Air West.

[] deposited BURNSTINE's briefcase on the desk and walked back to his station at the scanning device. In passing [] informed him that BURNSTINE's case contained a pistol. [] stated that he approached the ticket desk where BURNSTINE was being informed that the weapon would have to be unloaded before being placed on the aircraft. [] informed both that the gun should not be displayed in this area and escorted BURNSTINE into the sheriff's office. There, BURNSTINE unlocked the case and ejected the clip which appeared to be fully loaded. [] stated that he took the pistol and ejected a live round from the chamber. The gun and ammunition were replaced in the case and the case was checked onto the flight in the hold luggage. BURNSTINE was allowed to board the plane and continue his trip.

[] stated that at the time, he was not aware that BURNSTINE had attempted to pass the case through the X-ray scanner as carry-on luggage, and he had not been so informed by the security officer, [].

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Mr. KENNETH GORDON BURNSTEIN was interviewed by SA [redacted] and JAMES L. WICKER at Sky Harbor International Airport (SKIA), Phoenix, Arizona, in reference to a possible violation concerning Carrying Weapon Aboard Aircraft. Prior to interview commencing, BURNSTEIN was made aware of the identities of the interviewing agents by means or credentials and purpose of the interview.

The following descriptive information was obtained from Mr. BURNSTEIN:

California drivers license:	N4595224
Address:	P.O. Box 35 Balboa Island, California 92662
Race:	white
Sex:	male
Nationality:	American
Height:	5'9"
Weight:	180
Date of birth:	February 15, 1933

Also in his possession was a Certificate of Authorization, Number 1-9901A-00. This certificate was issued by Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, and had inscribed on it the authorization of possession and transportation of firearms. Also inscribed on it were two other numbers, 59-6626 and 59-1277577. Also in his possession was a Commercial Pilot's License issued by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Number 3362474. Other identification showed BURNSTEIN employed by KAROL Investment Corporation out of Ft. Lauderdale, Florida.

Concerning the incident involving possible Carrying Weapon Aboard Aircraft, Mr. BURNSTEIN advised that he was late getting to the airport at Orange County

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Airport, Orange County, California. With this he attempted to expedite entrance aboard Hughes Airwest flight 882 bound for Phoenix, Arizona. Mr. BURNSTEIN stated that because he was in a hurry he did not check his bags in, but brought them directly to the security station which has the x-ray machine in effect. Mr. BURNSTEIN related that prior to passing his baggage through the x-ray machine he brought to the attention of a security girl there that he had a gun in one of his bags which was loaded. Mr. BURNSTEIN stated at this time the security girl took necessary measures to have the gun unloaded and took the bag and had it checked in as regular baggage. Mr. BURNSTEIN stated there appeared to be no noticeable incident; with this he proceeded through the x-ray machine and boarded flight 882 for Phoenix.

Mr. BURNSTEIN stated he had no direct intention of bringing the gun aboard the aircraft and that it was his intention of notifying the security guard before he went through the x-ray machine. Mr. BURNSTEIN advised that he is a responsible person and the above incident was nothing more than a careless oversight on his part.

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On January 13, 1976, Special Agent [REDACTED], Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms Division, Department of the Treasury, 34 Civic Center Plaza, Santa Ana, California, advised that his agency was aware of the subject, whom he identified as KENNETH GORDON BURNSTINE, born February 15, 1933, with address of Post Office Box 35, Balboa Island, California, and residence 1011 North Bay Front, Balboa Island, California. He holds California Driver's License Number M4595224. He stated that if the subject held a valid gun dealer's certificate issued by the Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms Division, this would at no time allow such a dealer to carry concealed weapons.

The FBI Identification Division advised that KENNETH GORDON BURNSTINE is described as follows:

Sex	Male
Race	White
Date of Birth	February 15, 1933
Place of Birth	Illinois
Height	5 feet 8 inches
Weight	185 pounds
Hair	Gray
Eyes	Brown
Complexion	Light
Social Security Number	336-24-8874

BURNSTINE had a record of eight arrests on the following offenses: Assault, Stolen Property, Conspiracy Dangerous Drugs, Dangerous Drugs, Flight - Escape, Weapons Offenses, and Public Peace. His last recorded arrest was on December 2, 1974, by the Drug Enforcement Administration, Los Angeles, California. No convictions were recorded.

On February 19, 1976, Special Agent [REDACTED], Drug Enforcement Administration, U. S. Department of Justice, World Trade Center Building, Los Angeles, California, advised that KENNETH GORDON BURNSTINE was well known to his department as one of the most powerful and largest drug smugglers operating in the United States. He stated that BURNSTINE was described as follows:

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Sex	Male
Race	White
Date of Birth	February 15, 1933
Height	5 feet 8 inches
Weight	130 pounds
Hair	Gray
Eyes	Brown
Occupation	Aircraft owner - pilot
Social Security	
Account Number	336-24-8874
FBI Number	751 674 F

[] stated that under the subject's criminal history, in the remarks section, the following information appears:

In November 1973, the subject aircraft owner had planned to smuggle marijuana into the United States from Jamaica utilizing a previously used Naples, Florida, flight strip. In March 1974, an aircraft believed to be part of this operation crashed 20 miles south of Sebring, Florida, killing the pilot, who had previously told his wife that the subject owed him \$5,000. The cargo of this plane was comprised of 3,500 pounds of marijuana.

In June 1974, the subject was the owner of an intra-state airline operating in Florida, which was smuggling large amounts of cocaine, hashish and marijuana from South America to the United States. The subject is also believed importing military hardware into the Bahamas, and was planning to smuggle cocaine from Mexico to the United States. The subject was arrested in October 1974, in Corpus Christi, Texas, with cocaine and other drugs, \$14,000 cash, and jewelry.

The subject was last arrested by Drug Enforcement Administration Agents on December 4, 1974, at Balboa Island,

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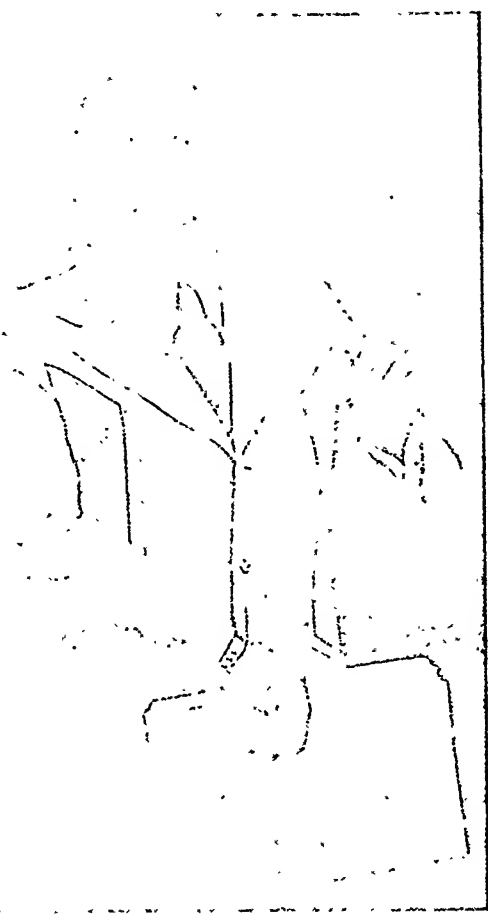
California. In March 1975, he was convicted on cocaine and marijuana charges in U. S. District Court, Southern District of Florida, and in April 1975, was given a sentence of seven years in a Federal penitentiary, with three years special probation. He was subsequently released after posting a \$100,000 appeal bond.

The subject gave additional addresses of 2101 Middle River Drive, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, and Post Office Box 11045, Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

On January 14, 1976, records of the Newport Beach Police Department, Intelligence Unit, Newport Beach, California, indicated that the subject was believed residing at 1011 North Bay Front, Balboa Island, California, and believed to be employed by the International Finance and Economic Development Corporation, Post Office Box 11045, Fort Lauderdale, Florida. He had a local unpublished telephone number of 673-5200. He was last arrested by the Drug Enforcement Administration on December 2, 1974, and on June 9, 1975, a tax lien was filed on his residential property at Balboa Island, California, in the amount of \$879,965.

The summer 1975 edition of "Drug Enforcement", the official intelligence publication of the Drug Enforcement Administration, carried the following article concerning the subject:

Profile of a Florida Drug Runner



which three marihuana-laden aircraft registered to him or his companies went down in crashes, Burnstine protested to the press that he was an innocent victim of unscrupulous pilots who were renting or stealing his planes for unlawful purposes.

"I liken it to Hertz renting a car to a bank robber," he explained in early 1974 in defense of his application to operate Florida Airways International—a charter and leasing firm—at Fort Lauderdale's Executive Airport.

Once he asked a reporter on the Miami Herald:

"Do you think I am going to run a smuggling operation with planes that are registered to companies of which I am the president? What am I, stupid?"

During the same interview Burnstine joked about how "the Feds" were on his trail. He told the reporter that he was aware his planes were on the suspect list and that their arrivals and departures were carefully monitored.

"It's sort of funny," he said. "I can just see these cats in the tower jumping around and running to the telephone every time I climb into a plane."

Despite his apparent openness, Burnstine resided within the sanctuary of a \$650,000 home in Fort Lauderdale. Around it was a chain link fence guarded by a 130-pound lioness. On the iron gates at the entrance was the blunt warning: TRESPASSERS WILL BE EATEN.

Kenneth Burnstine's downfall began in June 1974 when he decided to expand his drug smuggling to

include the illegal importation of cocaine.

He got in touch with a former associate who owned property in Mexico and asked for his cooperation in establishing a local base of operations and a cocaine connection. The associate, in cooperation with the government, put him in touch with the two undercover DEA agents.

During their meeting in the hotel at Vera Cruz, Burnstine boasted that his operation was smuggling \$50,000 worth of marihuana a month into the United States. He said he was now in a position to purchase 80 kilos of cocaine a month.

From a series of meetings and phone calls between the two undercover agents and Burnstine or his representatives, the government was able to assemble a solid conspiracy case for prosecution.

But even at the trial, as it became evident to Burnstine that he had been "outconned," he made an effort to maintain his normally cocky appearance.

"Let's hurry up and get this trial over so I can take you out to dinner," he told pretty Karen Atkinson the assistant U.S. attorney who prosecuted the case.

When the jury returned its verdict Burnstine and one other defendant received seven-year sentences. A third defendant was acquitted.

Summarizing the results of the Burnstine trial, one Miami news announcer put it this way:

"Well, folks, here's a story that proves things don't always go better with Coke."

Sometimes Kenneth Burnstine can be generous to a fault.

Such was the case on the night of July 12, 1974, in a hotel room at Vera Cruz, Mexico, when he literally took the shirt off his back and gave it in a gesture of friendship to one of two new partners who had just agreed to become his cocaine connection in Mexico.

The partners turned out to be two DEA special agents working undercover. Burnstine's blue, size 42 Mexican Guayabera shirt ended up as a government exhibit when Burnstine went on trial in Miami last February on charges that he had conspired with two other men to import cocaine and marihuana into the United States.

For Burnstine—a 42-year-old, ex-Marine fighter pilot portrayed by the Florida press as a flamboyant but cool con man—his trial and subsequent prison sentence must have been a shattering experience.

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On January 14, 1976, Assistant U. S. Attorney DEANNE H. SMITH, Los Angeles, California, advised that she desired to study a report prior to rendering a prosecutive opinion in this matter.

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REFERENCE: Report of SA [REDACTED], dated 2/24/76, at Los Angeles.

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KENNETH GORDON BURNSTINE

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CRIME ABOARD AIRCRAFT - CARRYING WEAPON
ABOARD AIRCRAFT

Synopsis:

On 5/7/76, AUSA, Los Angeles, CALIF. declined prosecution in this matter in that facts of this case do not present a proper vehicle for successful prosecution.

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DETAILS:

On April 2, 1976, Assistant United States Attorney DEANNE H. SMITH, Los Angeles, California, advised that she had not yet arrived at a prosecutive decision in this matter.

On May 7, 1976, Assistant United States Attorney DEANNE H. SMITH (supra), advised that she would decline prosecution in that the facts of this case, at best, would constitute a misdemeanor and that she did not believe the elements in this matter constituted a proper vehicle for successful prosecutive action.

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